

**Spencer Town Council Regular Meeting  
November 17, 2014 at 7p.m  
Municipal Building  
90 N. West Street  
Spencer, IN 47460**

Board Members present: Cynthia Hyde and Jon Stantz, Dean Bruce.

Also present: Clerk-Treasurer Cheryl Moke, Attorney Richard Lorenz, Sewer Superintendent John Hodge, and Marshal Rannix Tinsley.

**MEETING WAS OPENED WITH THE PLEDGE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG**

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 3, 2014**

**Dean Bruce made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Motion passed 3-0.**

**IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC ISSUES**

A request for approval of a demolition for a building located at the corner of Fletcher and Franklin was presented. The Board stated that it will need to make application to the Building Department will need to be made to make sure all planning and zoning ordinances are complied with.

The Clerk Treasurer presented invoices for the Spencer Integrated Rural Health Clinic Project. The payment requests were as followed; Building Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$70,283.00, Tabor Bruce Architectures & Design in the amount of \$1,704.32, and SIDC in the amount of \$4,000.00. Total requests were in the amount of \$75,987.32, of which \$48,395.00 will be paid with OCRA Grant funds and \$27,592.32 will be paid with Centerstone Funds.

**Dean Bruce made a motion to approve the payments as presented. The motion was seconded and passed.**

Cynthia Hyde said she was approached by a resident about the cat population. She said they create problems by making messes, and attracting other feral animals. Discussion followed about various ways the Town could handle this. Referring to the Town Ordinances, it was determined that unrestrained animals should be handled by the Town Marshals, by capturing or destroying. Cynthia suggested that the Town Attorney and the Humane Society advise the Town on this.

**IN THE MATTER OF THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT**

No report.

**IN THE MATTER OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Nothing to report.

**IN THE MATTER OF THE STREET DEPARTMENT**

Nothing to report.

**IN THE MATTER OF THE SEWER DEPARTMENT**

John Hodge reported on plant maintenance and collections.

He presented quotes to the Board for the rehab of the sewer lines for South Harrison and South Washington Streets. The bid from Insituform in the amount of \$124,476.90 was the lowest.

Sewer financial statements, and fund balances, including amortization of current loans were reviewed. A decision was made to use approximately \$78,000 from EDIT funds, with the remainder coming from sewer to complete this project.

**Dean Bruce made a motion to accept the bid from Insituform in the amount of \$124,476.90 with 60% coming from EDIT funds and the balance from sewer funds. The motion was seconded and approved.**

#### **IN THE MATTER OF ZONING AND PLANNING**

Nothing to report.

#### **IN THE MATTER OF THE FIRE TERRITORY**

Cynthia Hyde suggested that a work session be set to discuss some issues regarding the Fire Territory. A work session will be set for 6pm on December 29<sup>th</sup> for the purpose of making encumbrances, transferring funds, and discussing Fire Territory issues.

#### **IN THE MATTER OF THE ATTORNEY**

Richard Lorenz distributed updated Town Code and Personnel Policies as of October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2014. He suggested that these be placed on the website, and that these be updated at the end of each year.

Mr. Lorenz said he had some concerns expressed regarding the parking on the north side of Hillside as it intersects with Fletcher, particularly around Hammond's Florist. Jon Stantz stated that that issue has been rectified.

Ordinance No. 2014-08, **AN ORDINANCE CREATING THE TOWN OF SPENCER REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION** was presented to the Board for review and approval.

**Dean Bruce made a motion to pass Ordinance 2014-08. The motion was seconded and passed.**

#### **IN THE MATTER OF OLD BUSINESS**

The Clerk-Treasurer presented updated Appropriation reports, with estimates through the end of the year.

#### **IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS**

Dean Bruce discussed a technical assistance program for rural housing assistance offered by Indiana Association of Community Economic Development in conjunction with NALCAB. Dean offered to look into this further and submit the application if the Board agreed. It was agreed that he should pursue this.

Jon Stantz reported that he had a Safe Routes to School meeting with Darren Wells next week.

#### **IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS**

Claims were presented for approval.

**Dean Bruce made a motion to approve the claims as presented. It was seconded and passed.**

#### **IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT**

John Stantz motioned to adjourn at 8:55 p.m.

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Cynthia Hyde, President

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Jon Stantz, Vice-President

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Dean Bruce, Board Member

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Cheryl Moke, Clerk-Treasurer